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For Immediate Release

"Police Investigate Homicide"
Update to News Release dated: April 4, 2016
"Suspect Arrested"

On March 31, 2016 at approximately 4:21 am, Officers from the Morgantown Police Department responded to 1248 Montrose Avenue for a report of shots fired. Once on scene, officers found a male victim with a gunshot wound lying on the floor and a second male with a gunshot wound to the hand. The victim on the floor was pronounced dead at the scene and the male with the gunshot wound to the hand was transported to Ruby Memorial Hospital. The suspects in this incident were reported to be two makes wearing dark clothing.

Morgantown Police Detectives have been investigating the incident and have identified both victim. Jesse James Loya, 36, of Montrose Avenue, Morgantown was pronounced dead at the scene of the incident. Kyle A. Brown, 22, of Village Crest Drive, Morgantown, suffered a gunshot wound to his hand and is currently being treated at Ruby Memorial Hospital.

On Saturday, April 2, 2016, Jeremiah MARTIN, 32 years of age of Morgantown was arrested without incident in Fairmont WV following a traffic stop. MARTIN was apprehended by members of the US Marshall's Office Mountain State Fugitive Task Force, Fairmont Police Department and Morgantown Police Department. MARTIN has been charged with Armed Robbery and Conspiracy to Commit Armed Robbery and is currently being held at the North Central Regional Jail.

The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with any information can contact the Morgantown Detective Division at (304) 284-7522.

The Morgantown Police Department is committed to its goal of eliminating crime in our city. Citizens are encouraged to become a **"Partner in Policing"**, by reporting suspected criminal activity to Morgantown Police Department Switchboard at (304) 284-7522. If you need immediate Police attention or a crime is in progress call 911.

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